





# The Daily Standard.

Monday, February 17, 1873.

## Getting by Ballot.

One of the most important bills passed by the Legislature this session, is the Act to amend the law relating to the procedure at elections of members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia. In short, it is to substitute the old system of open voting for the ballot. We predict that this alteration in the law will work quite a revolution not only in the method of choosing representatives, but also in the character of the representatives chosen. The outside influence which have heretofore been brought to bear upon electors to sway them in favor of one candidate or another, and which generally gave roughs an advantage over peaceable and orderly citizens, will no longer give them that weight and controlling power at the hustings which they once enjoyed. Henceforth our elections will be conducted with order and propriety, and men will be chosen for their intellectual and moral worth, as they always should be. It is to be regretted that the provisions of the Act do not extend as well to Municipal as to general elections, for certainly there are just as requisite in the one case as in the other. The Act consists of nineteen sections, independently of the schedule, which consist of thirty-six additional sections. The following is a synopsis of the bill: Section 1 defines the title of the Act, which may be cited as "The Ballot Act, 1873." Section 2 enacts that the existing laws relating to elections of members to serve in the Legislative Assembly shall continue in force, and that this Act shall, so far as is consistent with the tenor thereof, be construed as one with them. Section 3 relates to provisions at elections. Votes shall be given by ballot; the ballot shall be an authorized paper showing the names and descriptions of the candidates; each ballot paper shall be printed and numbered, and have a counterfoil attached with the same number printed thereon; the ballot paper, at the time of voting, shall be marked on both sides with an official mark, and delivered to the voter within the polling station, and the voter after having secretly marked his vote on the paper, and folded it up so as to conceal his vote, shall place it in a closed box in the presence of the presiding officer at the polling station. Any ballot paper which has not on its back the official mark, etc., shall be void and not counted. After the close of the poll, the ballot boxes shall be sealed up and taken in charge by the returning officer, who shall count the votes, declare the result, and make a return of the same to the Registrar of the Supreme Court. Where an equality of votes is found to exist, the returning officer shall have a casting vote, but in no other case shall he vote at any election. Section 4 makes provision against offenses at any election, and prescribes penalties for contraventions of the Act. Every person who—1. Forges or counterfeits or fraudulently defaces or fraudulently destroys any ballot paper, or the official mark on any ballot paper; or 2. Without due authority supplies any ballot paper to any person; or 3. Fraudulently puts into any ballot box any paper other than the ballot paper which he is authorized by law to put in; or 4. Fraudulently takes out of the polling station any ballot paper; or 5. Without due authority destroys, takes open, or otherwise interferes with any ballot box, or packet of ballot papers, then in use for the purposes of the election; shall, upon a summary conviction before a Justice of the Peace, be liable to a fine not exceeding \$100, or imprisonment for any term not exceeding twelve months. Section 5 enforces secrecy on the part of the election clerk and agent in attendance at a polling station; they shall not interfere with voters when voting, nor shall any voter display his ballot paper, nor having marked the same, so as to make known how he has voted; and every person who acts in contravention of this section shall be liable, on summary conviction, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, or to a fine not exceeding \$100. Section 6 provides that at any election for an Electoral District a person shall not be entitled to vote unless his name is on the register of voters for the time being in force in such district. Sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 define the duties of returning and election officers. Every returning officer, subject to the provisions of the Act, shall procure all the necessary papers and instruments required at an election, designate the polling stations, appoint and pay officers, etc. Any person misconducting himself at any polling station, may be removed there by order of the returning officer, and not be allowed to enter again during the day without the permission of the presiding officer. Any presiding officer or clerk at a polling station, shall have power to ask questions and administer the oath authorized by law to be asked and administered to voters, etc. Any returning officer, or other officer, guilty of wilful misconduct in or contravention of this Act, will be liable to fine and imprisonment. Section 12 provides that no person who has voted at an election shall, in any legal proceeding to question an election return, be required to state for whom he voted. Section 14 repeals section 36 of "The Election Regulation Act, 1871," and in lieu thereof the following is substituted:

"Any person authorized in writing, but not otherwise, may act as the agent, counsel, attorney, or clerk of a candidate during the continuance of an election; but no such person acting as such agent shall receive either before, during, or after the election from any candidate or from any person who over for acting in any such capacity as aforesaid, any sum of money, fee, office, place, or employment, either for himself or for any other person, or any consideration whatever, or receive any promise, pledge, or security whatsoever for any sum of money, fee, office, place, or employment, either for himself or for any other person, or any consideration whatever."

Every person who acts in contravention of the provisions of this section shall be liable on summary conviction before a Justice of the Peace to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, and any candidate acting in contravention of this section shall be incapable of being elected or sitting in the Legislative Assembly during the time for which members are elected for the Legislative Assembly then existing.

Sections 15, 16 and 17 provide against personation, which shall be punished by fine or imprisonment, and in the case of a candidate, by himself or his agents, who, has aided or abetted or conspired personation at any election, upon being convicted thereof, shall be incapable of being elected or sitting in the Legislative Assembly for such electoral district during the time for which members are elected for the Legislative Assembly then existing. Bribery, treating, and undue influence at an election is strictly prohibited, and any votes given under such circumstances, upon a summary conviction, shall be disallowed. The balance of the Act is composed of two schedules, laying down rules for elections of members of the Legislative Assembly, but as they are intended more particularly for the guidance of officers having in charge the conduct of the elections, we deem it unnecessary here to make any note of them.

BRING.—The advent of this the most cherished season of the year is marked by the renewed vigor in which nature asserts herself, clothing in her most beautiful garb all creation, imbued with the inspiring influence of the season and believing that there is a "glorious summer" ahead of us. A. B. Gray has made arrangements to receive monthly consignments of all descriptions of Dry Goods. The Prince Alfred on her last trip brought the first of these shipments, comprising a very choice assortment of the newest dress materials, black silks, wool shirtings, shawls, etc., and such a variety of general goods as makes his stock complete in all departments. An inspection of the new goods is invited. Government Street, 11th February, 1873.

In these dull times when various devices are resorted to in order to impart a little life to trade, Thos. Wilson & Co. will content themselves with announcing the arrival of some new things per Prince Alfred, consisting of:—Silks, Alpines, Satens-Surges, Challis, Delaines and other Dress Materials; also Collars, Ties, Bows, and a variety of other goods. T. W. & Co. leave all questions of prices, quality, fair-dealing, etc., to the judgment of those who favor them with their custom, and disavowing any real advantage of new ways of doing business adhere to that successfully followed by them for the last 12 years.

VALENTINE'S DAY.—Associated with it are sentiments thoroughly laced with real purity of purpose and meaning. Like everything sublime, the ridiculous is but the next step. We have a keen conception of both phases of the meaning, and have tried to adapt ourselves to this interesting occasion, by securing an assortment so varied that its effects will either surfeit the receiver with the profusion of poetry and dross, or make both dear and dearer inseparable for life. We venture to caution those who send the comic ones to be merciful, and those who receive them to exercise forbearance.—T. N. HINMAN & Co.

The original cheap and easy Shaving shop at Fred Payne's on the sunny side of Johnson street.

## New Advertisements.

NOTICE.—In consequence of the death of the late Mr. D. H. D. the Colonial Hotel, Government street, and the British Hotel, View street, will remain closed till Monday, Feb. 18th, 1873. By order of the W. M. J. C. BALES, Secretary.

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# Canada-Pacific Railway.

NOTICE.

Applications accompanied by certificate of ten per cent. deposit in the Bank of British Columbia, America and dated by the 1st proximo, will be received by me for Stock in the Canadian Pacific Railway at par.

Five per cent. per annum will be allowed on the deposit until allotment shall have been made.

E. L. DEBELLEFEULLE, fcl4 Montreal.

George Dunbar, Deceased. ALL PERSONS INTERESTED TO, OR HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST, the late Mr. George Dunbar, who died on the 10th inst., are requested to send particulars of their claims to Mr. George Dunbar, agent for Mrs. H. Dunbar, the administratrix of the deceased.

ROBERTSON & JOHNSON, fcl4 London.

For Sale. A PAIR OF HORSE, BARELY FIVE years old, with harness. Also a pair horse wagon in good order. Will be sold by auction, Saturday, Feb. 16th, at 11 A.M. unless previously disposed of.

T. ALLSOP & CO., fcl4 Auctioneers, Government Street.

J. E. MEYER, WIG MAKER & HAIRDRESSING ARTIST.

HAS THE HONOR OF ANNOUNCING to his numerous customers that he has removed to 111 North America, Ladies' Hairdresser in Front. Hair cut in the latest and most fashionable style, adapted to every age and condition with artistic skill and taste.

Furnished House To Let. A HOUSE CONTAINING SEVEN rooms, to be let furnished. Apply to T. ALLSOP & CO., fcl4 Government Street.

Lost. ON MONDAY NIGHT LAST A BROWN horse with white blaze on face, standing about 15 hands high. Supposed to have strayed from the Shop of J. E. MEYER, 111 North America. The finder will be suitably rewarded by applying at this office and returning the horse to the owner.

STANDARD OFFICE. fcl4

NOTICE. FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE the undersigned will make his office at 111 North America, in order to serve his customers with the most prompt and efficient service.

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J. C. TRACY, AUCTIONEER & COMMISSION MERCHANT.

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Saleroom St. Nicholas Building, Government Street.

Regular Sales every Wednesday and Saturday at 10:30 o'clock. Consignments solicited. Prompt Returns and moderate charges guaranteed.

Best city reference given.

J. C. TRACY, fcl4

Will Sell at Saleroom St. Nicholas Building.

Wednesday, Feb. 19th.

For account of Canadian and European Consignments.

Staple Dry Goods.

Hosiery, Shoes, Underclothing, Perfumery, &c.

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J. C. TRACY, fcl4 Auctioneer.

J. C. TRACY

Has been instructed by

MRS. THOMAS CARTER

Of Hill Side Farm,

To Sell on the Premises,

TUESDAY, FEB. 25th,

AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

The whole of her Fine Stock consisting partly as follows:

6 Fine Horses, Wagon, Buggy, Harness, Saddles, Farming Implements, Cattle, Pigs and Poultry,

A large quantity of Hay, Grain, Potatoes and other Vegetables.

Also all of her

Household Furniture.

And all the other moveable property on said premises.

J. C. TRACY, fcl4 Auctioneer.

Farm For Sale.

FOR SALE A FARM SITUATED ON the Sharnow Prairie, South Thompson River, containing 200 acres with one of the best water privileges, Good Buildings, Farm Implements, &c.

The land is all Prairie, 200 acres fit to grow the best wheat.

Particulars may be had at this Office.

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VALENTINES

AT THE

LONDON BAZAAR, GOVERNMENT STREET.

THE HUDSON'S BAY CO.

Offer For Sale at

VICTORIA, V. I.,

In Bond or Duty Paid.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

DRY GOODS,

Clothing, Groceries,

WINES, SPIRITS, &c.

EX PRINCESS ROYAL and other recent

arrivals from London and elsewhere.

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VICTORIA HOUSE.

Messrs. Denny & Spencer.

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FIRE AND LIFE.

HEAD OFFICE, Liverpool.

Capital Two Millions Sterling (£2,000,000)

UNLIMITED

LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.

SPROAT & CO.,

Wharf Street,

AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Notice.

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED TO THE

sale of the property of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, are requested to call and see the

At a Still Further Reduction.

This is an excellent opportunity for CASH BUYERS as the goods must be cleared before the extensive alterations now in progress can be completed.

BENJAMIN WAKEFIELD

Port Street, Victoria, V. I.

Two doors above the Bankers' Brewery.

CHIMNEY SWEEPER

TO THE

Royal Navy Yard and Hospital, Esquimalt, & Government Buildings, Victoria.

By order of the Committee.

Removal of Post Office.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on

and after WEDNESDAY, the 5th inst., the business of the Post Office in this City, will be conducted at the Brick Building on Government Street between Port and Broughton Streets, opposite the Union Cook & Larder House.

HENRY WOOTTON, fcl4 Postmaster.

Road Tax Lists 1873.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that copies of Road Tax Lists are deposited as follows:—

At Howard's Hotel, Esquimalt.

Esquimalt and Metchoin Road District.—

For Esquimalt, at 4-Mile House, Craigflower Road.

For Metchoin, at P. Everett's, Esquimalt.

For Metchoin, at the Metchoin School House.

For Sooke, at T. C. Meeson's House.

Victoria Road District.—

The Burnside Road, at M. Rowland's.

For Cedar Hill Road, Oakland Estate and Spring Ridge, at the Lion Brewery Tap.

For Point Ellis, at Booth's, Rock Bay House.

For Saanich Road and Topaz Avenue, and Section III, Finlayson's sub-division, at the Bridge Tavern.

For Fort Street and Caulbrook Bay Road, at Mr. Wood's House, opposite Moss Street.

For Mount Tolmie Cross Road, at the Richmond Hotel.

For Fairfield Estate and Foul Bay Road, at Henley's Hotel, Clover Point.

For James' Bay and Beckley Farm, at Larkin's House, James' Bay.

For Lake and Saanich Road District.—

For North Saanich, at Harry Waine's Hotel.

For South Saanich, at L. Eckstein's Hotel.

For Lake and Highland, at the Royal Oak Hotel.

And also at the Office of the undersigned,

W. C. SIFFKEN, Collector under Road Ordinance.

Victoria, January 29th, 1873. fcl4

SHEEP.

A FLOCK OF 120 EWES TO BE

Sold.

For particulars apply to

MESSRS. DRAKE & JACKSON.

British Columbia Investment and Loan Society.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the Society will be held at the office on

Wednesday, 10th February at 12 o'clock.

C. W. R. THOMSON, Secretary & Treasurer.

# Private Sale.

HILL SIDE FARM.

THE following articles are offered for sale by the proprietor, Mrs. Carter, who is desirous of giving up farming.

Two span of horses, work either in single or double harness.

One excellent broad mare and Colt. Together with number of cows, pigs, and poultry.

Also

One double Wagon and Harness.

One single Buggy, Harness and Robes.

One gentleman's saddle and bridle.

One Indian's Saddle and bridle.

One Kirby's Mower and Reaper.

One Hay Frame (horse power).

One set of Iron Harrows.

One set of Chain Harrows.

One double Mould Board Plough.

One Wooden Plough.

One Horse Hay Rake, and other Farm Implements.

Also

About 40 tons of Hay.

Ten tons of Best Oats.

Three or four tons of Feed Wheat.

A quantity of Black Eye Peas.

Four tons of Potatoes (various kinds).

A quantity of Mangewortels, and other Farm Produce.

Also

A quantity of Household Furniture.

Apply to

J. W. WILLIAMS, fcl4

To Wood Choppers.

WANTED 250 CORDS WOOD CUT

Apply to

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DURING THE WINTER MONTHS

the Enterprise will leave the

Wharf on Wednesdays, at 10 o'clock, and will

return on Thursdays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Thursdays, at

10 o'clock, and

will return on Fridays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Fridays, at

10 o'clock, and

will return on Saturdays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Saturdays, at

10 o'clock, and

will return on Sundays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Sundays, at

10 o'clock, and

will return on Mondays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Mondays, at

10 o'clock, and

will return on Tuesdays, at 10 o'clock, and

will leave New Westminster on Tuesdays, at

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